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In re Application of

: **RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**  
: **EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**

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For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS AND TERMINAL DEVICE CONNECTED TO  
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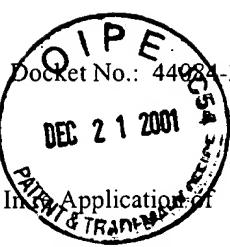
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Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The following remarks are submitted in response to the Official Action mailed July 30, 2001. Claims 1-6, 9-14 and 16 are now active in this application.

**REJECTION OF CLAIMS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102 AND § 103**

Claims 1-6, 9-13, 15 and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Tamagaki in view of Bender et al. (hereinafter, Bender). The Examiner admits that Tamagaki does not teach a non-volatile memory which stores processing status information of print jobs, but contends that Bender teaches a non-volatile memory which stores processing status information of print jobs, referring to column 4, lines 61-67. Thus, the Examiner maintains that it would have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the



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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

No additional fee is required.  
 Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.  
 A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.  
 Also attached:

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

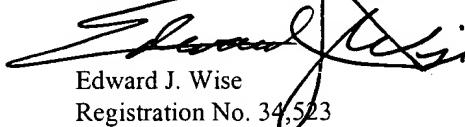
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Total Claims	12	20	0	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	4	6	0	\$84.00 =	\$0.00
Multiple claims newly presented					\$0.00
Fee for extension of time					\$400.00
					\$0.00
Total of Above Calculations					\$400.00

Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$400.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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